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SUBJECT: USIS RIDER POLL ON INDONESIAN SITUATION

SUMMARY: ON APRIL 21 USIS TOKYO PLACED TWO RIDER QUESTIONS IN SANKEI POLL CONCERNING INFLUENCE OF LATEST SOUTHEAST ASIAN SITUATION ON JAPAN. SAMPLE OF 878 TOKYO-OSAKA URBAN RESPONDENTS. (A) ABOUT ONE IN TWO RESPONDENTS (48.4 PERCENT) THOUGHT RECENT EVENTS IN CAMBODIA AND SOUTH VIETNAM COULD HAVE AN IMPORTANT INFLUENCE ON JAPAN'S FUTURE, WHILE 16 PERCENT DID NOT THINK SO. MORE MALE RESPONDENTS (60.8) THAN FEMALE (37.2) FELT S.E. ASIAN EVENTS WOULD INFLUENCE JAPAN'S FUTURE. THOSE EXPECTING AN INFLUENCE WERE MORE NUMEROUS AMONG BETTER EDUCATED AND EXECUTIVE RESPONDENTS (61.2 FOR UNIVERSITY GRADUATES - 69.2 FOR EXECUTIVE/PROFESSIONAL THAN LESSER EDUCATED AND WORKERS (37.4 FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADUATES - 51.1 FOR WORKERS). DK/NA OF 35.5 MAY BE CONSIDERED "SWING VOTE" WHO HAVEN'T FORMED A VIEW IN DEVELOPING SITUATION (B) AMONG THOSE WHO ANTICIPATE AN INFLUENCE, THE LARGEST GROUP (22.4 PERCENT BASED ON TOTAL 878 RESPONDENTS) FELT IT NECESSARY FOR JAPAN TO TAKE A MORE CONCILIATORY STANCE TOWARD NORTH VIETNAM, WHILE 16.6 PERCENT FELT THAT EVENTS WOULD ENCOURAGE COMMUNIST COUNTRIES TO BE MORE AGGRESSIVE TOWARD OTHER ASIAN COUNTRIES. 10.3 PERCENT THOUGHT EVENTS COULD HAVE DANGEROUS EFFECT ON DEFENSE OF JAPAN. THE SMALLEST (8.5 PERCENT) THOUGHT THAT UNITED STATES COULD NOT BE RELIED UPON. 32.5 PERCENT OF MALE RESPONDENTS ACKNOWLEDGED NEED FOR JAPAN'S CONCILIATORY ATTITUDE TOWARD N. VIETNAM, WHILE THAT OF FEMALE WAS 13.3. IN TERMS OCCUPATIONS, THOSE INEXECUTIVE AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS SHOWED HIGHER PERCENTAGES IN THEIR EXPECTATION OF (1)

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